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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection dated November 28, 2007.

No fee should be due since this is a reinstatement of a previous appeal. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee that may be due to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-48400/RCK.

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